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Dr. Sharon Mosher, Dean
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Dear Sharon,

I write to inform you that I am retiring from my University of Texas at Austin faculty and administrative positions effective at the close of business on November 30, 2012. As you know, I have been on leave from the university since February 1, serving as President and CEO of The Water Institute of the Gulf, an independent not-for-profit coastal and water systems research institute based in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. My original intent was to serve during the initial months of the Institute's existence, then return to the university. However I have found the opportunities and challenges shaping this new organization to be professionally compelling and, consistent with the desire of its Board of Directors, I have decided to remain in my position there in the months ahead. My wife and I have signed a purchase contract on a home in Baton Rouge and are looking forward to returning to that city. I appreciate the opportunities the Jackson School and the university have provided me over the past seven years and look forward to staying in touch as an alumnus and retiree.

Sincerely,

Charles G. Groat
Professor and Director